

SOCIAL and PERSONAL

THE musicale given under the direction of Mrs. Frank W. Duke, in the parlors of the Woman's Club yesterday afternoon...



"Him" Gifts.

Here's a handful of suggestions that ought to solve the knotty problem of what SHE should give HIM.

- Umbrellas, \$2.50 to \$5. Mufflers, 50c to \$3. Smoking Jackets, \$2.50 to \$8.00.

Jacobs & Levy

Buy a MAN'S gift at a Man's Shop. HE will appreciate both the compliment and the gift.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Myalik appeared in Tyrolean costume. Mr. Myalik possesses a splendid baritone voice and he showed his mastery of the strings of his native land...

A progressive bridge tournament will be played in the parlors of the club on Friday evening. Members of the club may invite gentlemen as partners...

Mrs. Gordon's Wedding. Mrs. Basil Gordon, of Baltimore, Washington and Wakefield Manor, on the Rappahannock, has been a guest at the Chamberlain Hotel at Old Point Comfort.

Mrs. Gordon's wedding will be celebrated in February and her honeymoon will include a journey to Pekin, China, where Colonel Barnett will command the marine guard at the American legation.

It was said in Baltimore when Mrs. Gordon left for Old Point, that she would keep her holidays at Wakefield Manor, with a big house-party, friends and relatives to help her make a merry Christmas before, as a bride, she sails away to the Orient.

Guest of Mrs. Bowcock. Mrs. Carl von Mayhoff, of New York, will come to Virginia for the Christmas holidays. She will first visit Mrs. Murray Bowcock, at Catalina, near Keswick, in Albemarle county, Va., and then go on to Monticello, the residence of her brother, Mr. Jefferson M. Levy.

Hoge-Benson. In Staunton on Saturday, in the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. K. W. Benson, daughter of Mrs. James S. Benson, was married to Mr. M. Gunter Hoge, son of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Hoge, formerly of Staunton, now a resident of Frankfort, Ky.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. R. C. Jett, rector of Emmanuel Episcopal Church, of Staunton. Miss Mattie Shreckie played the wedding march.

The bride, who, until her mother's recent removal to Staunton, had spent most of her life in this city, was given in marriage by her brother, Mr. Beverly D. Benson, of Brooklyn, N. Y. She wore a princess gown of white crepe de chine, and carried a shower of lilies of the valley. She was attended by Miss Lily Booker, of the University of Virginia, as maid of honor, and by two bridesmaids, Miss Brownie Benson and Miss Emma Hoge. Mr. J. C. Morris, of Frankfort, Ky., was best man, and Messrs. George and Ernest Hoge were the groomsmen.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoge will return from a short wedding trip to spend the holidays with their parents in Staunton. At the end of their visit they will go to Frankfort, Ky.

Among relatives who attended the wedding were Mrs. Rosalie Bowman, of this city; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dabney, of Philadelphia; Mrs. Nannie Wines, of Hanover; Mrs. J. H. Hoge, of Philadelphia; Mr. Jordan Hoge, of Frankfort, Ky.; and Mr. David Johnson, from Andover College, Mass.

To See "Madam Butterfly." Miss Mary Hoadley Goldborough, the house guest in Richmond of Mrs. E. M. Hoadley, who will give a dance Friday evening at the Jefferson in her honor, was one of a large party to see "Madam Butterfly" at the Academy of Music last night. The party was made up of young society people, friends of Miss Goldborough, and was chaperoned by Mrs. Garrett B. Wall.

Pool-Boeing. At Tiverton, the country home of Dr. and Mrs. Frederick D. Owsley, near Greenwood, Va., the wedding of Miss Caroline Boeing, daughter of Mrs. Frederick Owsley, to Lieutenant John Hudson Pool, Corps of Engineers, United States Army, will be celebrated at noon today at the Rev. Dr. Key's, officiating. The Episcopal Church at Tiverton, officiating. The bride will be given in marriage

is spending some time in Richmond as the guest of her sister, Miss Julia Payne, at the Mount Vernon.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles A. Mercer, whose wedding was celebrated in New Orleans on December 15th, are expected to be the holiday guests of Dr. Mercer's parents at No. 305 East Main Street.

Miss Ree Courtney, of Clifton, Chesterfield county, who has been attending the Randolph-Macon Institute, at Danville, has returned home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd J. Parker have returned to the city after a pleasant visit to friends in Roanoke, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Neisler will visit Richmond relatives before going to their future home in Abbeville, S. C. Mrs. Neisler was before her marriage, on December 17th, Miss Kate Elsmere Puller.

Mr. and Mrs. James I. Fritchett, Jr., of Danville, Va., will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Drake, Mrs. Fritchett's parents, during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Henning Ezekiel Smith, of Suffolk, have issued invitations for the marriage of their daughter, Jennie Wilson, to Mr. Frank Gustave Wurde-mann, on Thursday afternoon, at 3 o'clock, in St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Suffolk.

Mr. Banister Anderson, who is studying medicine in Richmond, is spending the holidays in Danville.

Miss Jerine Patterson, of Danville, is the guest of friends in the city.

Mr. Elmer Thomas, of the University College of Medicine, is at his home in Danville for the holidays.

Miss Lucy Gardner, of Norfolk, is visiting her family here. Miss Gardner will remain until about the New Year.

The Rev. and Mrs. Melville, of Eagle Rock, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Alice, to Mr. Massey Hamilton Shepherd, of Norfolk, Va., the wedding to take place in midwinter.

Mr. Ralph D. Gunn, of New York, formerly of Richmond, has been in the city for several days. Mr. Gunn leaves today for his home at Salem, Va., to spend the holidays.

Mr. Harrison Burch is spending the holidays in Danville.

Mr. E. H. Mitchell, of the University College of Medicine, is at his home in Danville for the holidays.

Mrs. E. C. Robertson and Miss Vera Robertson, of Danville, have arrived in Richmond, and will spend the winter months here.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tompkins have returned after a visit to Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Owens, in Portsmouth.

Miss Nancy Shackelford and Miss Marguerite Walker spent part of last week at the Chamberlain Hotel, Old Point Comfort.

Miss Mattie Randolph, of the Woman's College, who has been visiting the Misses Walker, in South Park Avenue, left on Friday for her home at Hickory, N. C., to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents.

Invitations have been received announcing the approaching marriage of Major Daniel Russell Johnson, a nephew of ex-Governor D. L. Russell and a member of General Armistead's staff, to Miss Clara Taylor, daughter of Mr. E. W. Taylor, of Albemarle county, Va. The ceremony will take place on the afternoon of January 1st in the New Hope Presbyterian Church.

Miss Etta Hayes has returned after a visit to her sister, Mrs. F. W. McCullough, on Freemason Street, Norfolk.

Miss Louise Armes, of Crewe, Va., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Walter Meyer, of No. 618 North Sixth Street.

Mr. Henry Meyer, of No. 510 East Clay Street, is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Laura B. Wiles, of Auburn, N. C.

Miss Willie A. Hammock, after a week's visit to her aunt, Mrs. Henry Meyer, of No. 510 East Clay Street, has returned to her home in Crewe, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. George G. Ruffin, of Prince George county, have issued invitations to the marriage of their daughter, Virginia, to Mr. James Shelton Gilliam, of Arlington, in the same county, at the Hope Episcopal Church, at noon, December 28th, at 3 o'clock, P. M., in the home of the bride's parents, at Dumbarton.

Miss Lina Shields has returned after a visit to her sister, Mrs. Mary King Nash in Portsmouth.

Miss Evelyn Bell is spending the holidays with relatives in Fluvanna county.

Invitations have been issued by Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Wright, of Lambert's Point, to the marriage of their daughter, Maggie, to Mr. J. G. Franklin, also of Lambert's Point. The ceremony will take place at the home of the bride's parents on December 28th at 3 o'clock, the Rev. George W. Cox, of Burrows Memorial Baptist Church, officiating.

Mrs. William Law Clay, of Savannah, Ga., will come to Richmond to visit her mother, Mrs. Hunter Holmes McGuire.

Mrs. Harold and Miss Harold, of Washington, D. C., are guests at No. 215 East Franklin Street.

Mr. Howard Winston, of the University of Virginia, will spend the holidays in the city as the guest of friends.

Mr. Robert C. Bagby, of Newmarket, N. C., is in town to spend Christmas with his sister, Mrs. Charles E. Bolling, of No. 302 West Grace Street.

To Help Along Gift Buying Furniture. Our Four-Room Flat on first floor is filled with choice odd pieces in Furniture. Suitable for Xmas Gifts. Which we are selling out at Cut! Cut!! Cut!!! PRICES. Which will also help to reduce stock before inventory time. Get Wise—This is Your Chance! Sydnor & Hundley, Inc. Leaders, 709-11-13 E. Broad St.

After firing at George Battle five times Battle used a double-barreled shotgun and wounded one of the men in the ear.

MRS. SMITH DIES FROM EFFECTS OF RECENT BURNS

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) NEWPORT NEWS, Va., December 23.—Mrs. Samuel Smith, aged sixty-two years, died today at her home at Newport News from the effects of injuries received last Friday. Mrs. Smith's clothing caught fire from the kitchen stove and before the flames were smothered by members of the family she had been terribly burned.

TO TREAT TUBERCULOSIS

North Carolina to Establish Sanatorium for This Purpose. FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., December 23.—Dr. A. C. Bechtel recorded a deed today for Montrose, in this county, containing 948 acres, for \$7,700, to the North Carolina Sanatorium for the Treatment of Tuberculosis, which has an appropriation of \$35,000 from the State. Work will begin on the building shortly.

Arrested on Grave Charge.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) WILSON, N. C., December 23.—Henry O. Rodgers was last night arrested and jailed here, charged with the betrayal of a Wake county lady. Rodgers held a position with the Norfolk and Southern Railroad here, and has not yet given bond.

For comfort, pleasure and sport spend Christmas at the Mecklenburg Hotel, Chase, City, Va. Big fox-hunts daily.

One of the Sights of the City

Helpful Hints! Oil Paintings, Water Colors, Engravings, Photographures, Etchings, Mirrors for every purpose, Jewel Cases, Tobacco Jars, Pipe-Racks, Calendars, Xmas Cards, Kodaks and Cameras. We have many useful and pleasing articles not mentioned above; DO LET US SHOW YOU! The Richmond Art Co., 5 E. Broad St. "One of the Sights of the City"

NOW HAVE HEARING IN COAST LINE SUIT

Standing Master Montgomery to Sit at Wilmington January 9th to Take Testimony.

MR. JUSTICE MAY NOT APPEAR

Has Notified Governor Glenn That If Legislature Is Called He Will Fight Compromise.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) WASHINGTON, D. C., December 23.—Standing Master W. A. Montgomery, to whom United States Judge J. C. Pritchard delegated the work of finding the facts in the famous suits by the several leading railroads in North Carolina to test the constitutionality of the act of the last Legislature reducing the passenger rates to 2-1-1 cents flat, has served notice on the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company vs. Chairman McNeill and others, of the Corporation Commission, and in Wilmington January 9th for the purpose of taking testimony in that suit, the hearing to be in the law offices of Brounre & Carr, of counsel for the Coast Line.

The notice to counsel on the part of the State was sent to ex-Judge Shepherd with instructions to notify others of counsel for the State which include F. Woodard of Wilson; ex-Governor Charles B. Aycock, of Goldsboro; E. Justice, of Greensboro; and W. Danial, of Valdosta. Mr. Justice has heretofore notified Governor Glenn that if he decided to call together the Legislature to act on a compromise with the Southern or other railroads resisting the 2-1-1 cent rate he should at once accept his resignation as chief counsel for the State and fix his compensation for services rendered, as he proposed to oppose such a compromise in the House of Representatives, of which he is Speaker. In view of this situation there is some question as to whether Mr. Justice will take any hand in the hearing at Wilmington.

Willig to Accept Compromise. A notice was also issued today by Standing Master Montgomery to parties to the litigation and their counsel in the suit of Carolina and Northwestern Railroad Company vs. Chairman McNeill and others, of the Corporation Commission, to the effect that he will be in Raleigh January 15th for the purpose of taking evidence in that suit.

The Carolina and Northwestern is one of the railroad companies that has accepted its willingness to join with the Southern in the proposed compromise for 2-1-1 cent flat rate with 2 cent mileage in the event of a strike in the respective States. Standing Master Montgomery, it is understood, has received no official notice of any motion for the suit for the case of the Carolina and Northwestern suit, hence his order for appearance of counsel to begin the taking of testimony. The expectation is that in the event the settlement is still pending there will be a hearing in the case of the Carolina and Northwestern on the day set for the hearing.

Virginia's Acceptance Unnecessary. On his return to the city to-night Governor Glenn was asked as to developments relative to the impending railroad rate compromise, and said he had received no further information as to the probability of Virginia coming into the compromise proposed between this State and the Southern and other railroads. He added the significant remark that after all acceptance on the part of Virginia was not essential for the completion of the compromise which would apply to North Carolina. It had been understood that both Virginia and Tennessee must join with North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama and Tennessee in the application of the compromise rates. Standing Master Montgomery, it is understood, has received no official notice of any motion for the suit for the case of the Carolina and Northwestern suit, hence his order for appearance of counsel to begin the taking of testimony. The expectation is that in the event the settlement is still pending there will be a hearing in the case of the Carolina and Northwestern on the day set for the hearing.

PREACHER SHOTS WIFE

His Only Explanation of the Deed Is That He Is in Trouble.

DURHAM, N. C., December 23.—Lonnie Bailey, a colored preacher, shot his wife, Ludeila Bailey, at the entrance of the Union Station, and the injury sustained by the latter will probably result in her death. Bailey made an effort to escape after he had shot his wife, but was captured within a short distance by the mall clerk at the station. When Bailey was arrested he refused to give any justifiable reason for his attempted murder. He only said he was in trouble. The ball entered Ludeila Bailey's head about one-half inch behind the ear. Lonnie Bailey is a regular pastor at several missionary Baptist churches in Oak Grove, Va., a country circuit. The defendant was sent to jail without bail pending a preliminary hearing to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock. There may be something behind the deed that has not been brought out. He speaks of his trouble, but refuses to give any insight to anything further.

RESULT WILL BE CLOSE.

Outcome of Thursday's Election in Raleigh Very Uncertain.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) RALEIGH, N. C., December 23.—The prohibition campaign is gaining in intensity of interest daily, with an uncertain prospect for harsh, if not important, results. The day of opposing forces as election day (Thursday, December 26th) approaches. There was a considerable "hurry" Saturday evening and Sunday, caused by the publication of a card advocating the retention of the dispensary, signed by forty-three citizens, many of them among the most prominent business and professional men. The gist of their advocacy of the dispensary was that prohibition would not profit, and that under the circumstances the dispensary was the most salutary control of the traffic, yielding a return revenue for city and county public improvement and schools that should not be eliminated unless there was to be a really effective elimination of the drink evil, which could not, they contended, be brought about without an act by Congress that would prevent the shipment of liquor into the State.

At a mass meeting for prohibition held Sunday evening in the Academy of Music this prohibitionists and their signers came in for three denunciations and invectives that bordered on the sensational. There were special services in Edent Street Methodist and the Tabernacle Baptist Churches, the congregations of a number of the other leading churches joining with them. It seems to be generally conceded that the election Thursday will be rather close, there being advocates of the dispensary who concede a majority for prohibition, and prohibition workers who express the view, on the other hand, that the dispensary will be retained by a safe majority.

Licensees to Virginians.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) WASHINGTON, D. C., December 23.—Licensees to marry were issued here today to the following: John N. Baker and Laura Coles, both of Charlottesville, Va.; Lyle Dawson and Ellen Hayne, both of Westmoreland county, Va.

Xmas Pianos. Only One More Day of Stieff's Holiday Piano Sale. A big discount from the regular price on every Piano in our store, both in the celebrated STIEFF and the other high-grade makes which we handle. Stieff Pianos. Awarded Gold Medal at the Jamestown Exposition. Our business for the past week has far exceeded our most sanguine expectations. WE STILL HAVE LEFT A FEW SPECIAL BARGAINS from our "taken-in-exchange" stock. How Do These Prices Strike You? One Hardman Upright, - - \$229. This Instrument is the Largest Size and Practically New. One Steinway Upright, - - \$227. One Mason & Hamlin Upright, \$149. In Good Condition and Full Size. One Mahogany Upright, - - \$129. One Chickering Upright, - - \$125. Good Square Pianos and Organs, \$10 up. Why not join the army of pleased patrons that are being made happy each day by purchasing a Piano from this time-honored firm, which is one of the oldest in the history of America's Piano industry, and one which has won its big and well-deserved reputation for the high quality of its product, together with its unquestionable and honorable dealing with the public for over half a century. If you live out of town, write to us, and we will give your letter prompt attention. Chas. M. Stieff, Established 1842. 205 E. Broad St., Richmond, Va. L. B. SLAUGHTER, Mgr. Store Open Evenings Until Xmas.

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